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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

It is respectfully requested that the due date for filing a Response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2002, be extended from August 23, 2002 to September 23, 2002.

A check for the extension fee of \$55.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed. Please charge any additional extension fees to Deposit Account No. 02-0915. Two duplicate copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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